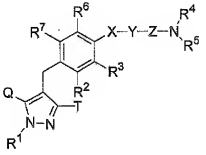
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

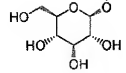
1. (original): A pyrazole derivative represented by the general formula:



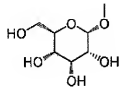
wherein

R^1 represents a hydrogen atom, a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{2-6} alkenyl group, a hydroxy(C_{2-6} alkyl) group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl-substituted (C_{1-6} alkyl) group, an aryl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group, an amino group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, or an aryl(C_{1-6} alkyl) group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group, an amino group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a C_{1-6} alkoxy group on the ring;

one of Q and T represents a group represented by the formula:



or a group represented by the formula:



while the other represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{1-6} alkyl) group or a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group;

R^2 represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a hydroxy group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, a C_{1-6} alkylthio group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkoxy) group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{1-6} alkoxy) group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl- substituted (C_{2-6} alkoxy) group or a group of the general formula:

-A-R^8 in which A represents a single bond, an oxygen atom, a methylene group, an ethylene group, -OCH_2- or -CH_2O-; and R^8 represents a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, a C_{2-6} heterocycloalkyl group, an aryl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group, an amino group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, a C_{2-6} alkenyloxy group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a carboxy group, a C_{2-7} alkoxycarbonyl group, a cyano group and a nitro group, or a heteroaryl group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom and a C_{1-6} alkyl group;

X represents a single bond, an oxygen atom or a sulfur atom;

Y represents a single bond, a C_{1-6} alkylene group or a C_{2-6} alkenylene group with the proviso that X is a single bond when Y is a single bond;

Z represents a carbonyl group or a sulfonyl group;

R^4 and R^5 are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-6} alkyl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 groups selected from the following

substituent group (i), or they bind together with the neighboring nitrogen atom to form a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group;

R^3, R^6 and R^7 are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a C_{1-6} alkoxy group; and

substituent group (i) consists of a hydroxy group, an amino group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino group, a mono or di[hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)]amino group, an ureido group, a sulfamide group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)sulfamide group, a C_{2-7} acylamino group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group, a group of the general formula: $-CON(R^9)R^{10}$ in which R^9 and R^{10} are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-6} alkyl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a hydroxy group, an amino group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino group, a mono or di[hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)]amino group, an ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a C_{2-7} acylamino group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group and a carbamoyl group, or they bind together with the neighboring nitrogen atom to form a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, a C_{2-6} heterocycloalkyl group, an aryl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group, an amino group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, a heteroaryl group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom and a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, and a C_{1-4} aromatic cyclic amino group which may have a C_{1-6} alkyl group as a substituent,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. (original): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, wherein Y represents a C_{1-6} alkylene group or a C_{2-6} alkenylene group; one of R^4 and R^5 represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group which has the same or different 1 to 3 groups selected from the following substituent group (i), the other represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-6} alkyl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 groups selected from the following substituent group (i); and substituent group (i) consists of a hydroxy group, an amino group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino group, a mono or di[hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)]amino group, an ureido group, a sulfamide group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)sulfamide group, a C_{2-7} acylamino group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group, a group of the general formula: -CON(R^9)R^{10} in which R^9 and R^{10} are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-6} alkyl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a hydroxy group, an amino group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino group, a mono or di[hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)]amino group, an ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a C_{2-7} acylamino group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group and a carbamoyl group, or they bind together with the neighboring nitrogen atom to form a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, a C_{2-6} heterocycloalkyl group, an aryl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group, an amino group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, a heteroaryl group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom and a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)

group, and a C_{1-4} aromatic cyclic amino group which may have a C_{1-6} alkyl group as a substituent, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. (original): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 2, wherein one of R^4 and R^5 represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group which has a group selected from the following substituent group (iA), the other represents a hydrogen atom; and substituent group (iA) is a group of the general formula: $-CON(R^{9A})R^{10A}$ in which R^{9A} and R^{10A} bind together with the neighboring nitrogen atom to form a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

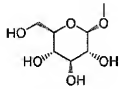
4. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, wherein X represents a single bond; and Y represents a trimethylene group or a 1-propenylene group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

5. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, wherein X represents an oxygen atom; and Y represents an ethylene group or a trimethylene group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

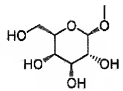
6. (original): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, wherein X represents a single bond; Y represents a single bond; one of R^4 and R^5 represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group which has the same or different 1 to 3 groups selected from the following substituent group (iB), the other represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-6} alkyl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3

groups selected from the following substituent group (iB); and substituent group (iB) consists of an ureido group, a sulfamide group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)sulfamide group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group, a group of the general formula: -$CON(R^{9B})R^{10B}$ in which one of R^{9B} and R^{10B} represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group which has the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a hydroxy group, an amino group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino group, a mono or di[hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)]amino group, an ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a C_{2-7} acylamino group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group and a carbamoyl group, the other represents a hydrogen atom, a C_{1-6} alkyl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a hydroxy group, an amino group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino group, a mono or di[hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)]amino group, an ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a C_{2-7} acylamino group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group and a carbamoyl group, or they bind together with the neighboring nitrogen atom to form a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, a C_{2-6} heterocycloalkyl group, an aryl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group, an amino group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, a heteroaryl group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom and a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, and a C_{1-4} aromatic cyclic amino group which may have a C_{1-6} alkyl group as a substituent, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

7. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, wherein R^1 represents a hydrogen atom or a hydroxy(C_{2-6} alkyl) group; T represents a group represented by the formula:

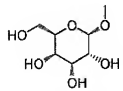


or a group represented by the formula:



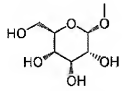
wherein Q represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group; and R^3, R^6 and R^7 represent a hydrogen atom, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

8. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, wherein one of Q and T represents a group represented by the formula:



and the other represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{1-6} alkyl) group or a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

9. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 7, wherein T represents a group represented by the formula:

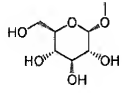


or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

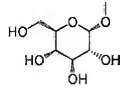
10. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 7, wherein Q represents an isopropyl group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

11. (previously presented): A prodrug of a pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

12. (original): A prodrug as claimed in claim 11, wherein T represents a group represented by the formula:



or a group represented by the formula:



in which the hydroxy group at the 4-position is substituted by a glucopyranosyl group or a galactopyranosyl group, or the hydroxy group at the 6-position is substituted by a glucopyranosyl group, a galactopyranosyl group, a C_{2-7} acyl group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{2-7} acyl) group, a C_{2-7} alkoxy-carbonyl-substituted (C_{2-7} acyl) group, a C_{2-7} alkoxycarbonyl group, an aryl(C_{2-7} alkoxycarbonyl) group or a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{2-7} alkoxycarbonyl) group.

13. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, which is a compound selected from the following group:

4-[(4-{3-[1-carbamoyl-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]propyl}-2-methylphenyl)methyl]-3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{3-[1-{[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-1-yl]carbonyl}-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]propyl}phenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[2-(dimethylamino)ethylcarbamoyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

4-[(4-{3-[1-(2-aminoethylcarbamoyl)-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]propyl}phenyl)methyl]-3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{3-[1-{[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)-piperazin-1-yl]carbonyl}-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]propyl}-2-methylphenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(4-isopropylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{3-[(*S*)-2-hydroxy-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]propyl}phenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{(1*E*)-3-[(*S*)-2-hydroxy-1- (methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]prop-1-enyl}phenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(2-{1-[(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}ethoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{2-[2-hydroxy-1,1-di-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]ethoxy}-2-methylphenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{2-[1-{[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-1-yl]carbonyl}-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]ethoxy}-2-methylphenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(2-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}ethoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{3-[1-{[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-1-yl]carbonyl}-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]propoxy}-2-methylphenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-1-(3-hydroxypropyl)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

4-{[2-fluoro-4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)-ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

4-{[2-chloro-4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)-ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole, and

pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

14. (original): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 13, which is a compound selected from the following group:

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{3-[1-{[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-1-yl]carbonyl}-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]propyl}phenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{3-[1-{[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)-piperazin-1-yl]carbonyl}-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]propyl}-2-methylphenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(2-{1-[(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}ethoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-4-[(4-{2-[1-{[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-1-yl]carbonyl}-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl]ethoxy}-2-methylphenyl)methyl]-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(2-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}ethoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-4-{[4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)ethylcarbamoyl}propoxy)-2-methylphenyl]methyl}-1*H*-pyrazole;

4-{[2-fluoro-4-(3-{1-[(piperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-1-(methyl)-ethylcarbamoyl}propyl)phenyl]methyl}-3-(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)-5-isopropyl-1*H*-pyrazole, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

15. (previously presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising as an active ingredient a pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or a prodrug thereof.

Claims 16-22. (canceled).

23. (original): A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 15, wherein the dosage form is sustained release formuation.

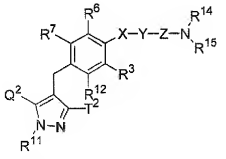
Claim 24. (canceled).

25. (currently amended): A method for the ~~prevention or~~ treatment of a disease associated with hyperglycemia, which comprises administering an effective amount of a pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or a prodrug thereof to a subject in need thereof.

26. (currently amended): A method for the inhibition of advancing impaired glucose tolerance into diabetes in a subject, which comprises administering an effective amount of a pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or a prodrug thereof to a subject in need thereof.

Claims 27-33. (canceled).

34. (original): A pyrazole derivative represented by the general formula:



wherein

R^{11} represents a hydrogen atom, a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{2-6} alkenyl group, a hydroxy(C_{2-6} alkyl) group which may have a protective group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl-substituted (C_{1-6} alkyl) group, an aryl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group which may have a protective group, an amino group which may have a protective group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, or an aryl(C_{1-6} alkyl) group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group which may have a protective group, an amino group which may have a protective group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a C_{1-6} alkoxy group on the ring;

one of Q^2 and T^2 represents a 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-β-D-glucopyranosyloxy group or a 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-β-D-galactopyranosyloxy group, while the other represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{1-6} alkyl) group or a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group;

R^{12} represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a hydroxy group which may have a protective group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, a C_{1-6} alkylthio group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkoxy) group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{1-6} alkoxy) group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl-substituted (C_{2-6} alkoxy) group or a group of the general formula: -A-R^{18} in which A represents a single bond, an oxygen atom, a methylene group, an ethylene group, -OCH_2- or -CH_2O-; and R^{18} represents a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, a C_{2-6} heterocycloalkyl group, an aryl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group which may have a protective group, an amino group which may have a protective group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, a C_{2-6} alkenyloxy group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group which may have a protective group, a carboxy group which may

have a protective group, a C_{2-7} alkoxycarbonyl group, a cyano group and a nitro group, or a heteroaryl group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom and a C_{1-6} alkyl group;

X represents a single bond, an oxygen atom or a sulfur atom;

Y represents a single bond, a C_{1-6} alkylene group or a C_{2-6} alkenylene group with the proviso that X is a single bond when Y is a single bond;

Z represents a carbonyl group or a sulfonyl group;

R^{14} and R^{15} are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-6} alkyl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 groups selected from the following substituent group (ii), or they bind together with the neighboring nitrogen atom to form a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group which may have a protective group;

R^3, R^6 and R^7 are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a C_{1-6} alkoxy group; and

substituent group (ii) consists of a hydroxy group which may have a protective group, an amino group which may have a protective group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino group which may have a protective group, a mono or di[hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)]amino group which may have a protective group, an ureido group, a sulfamide group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)sulfamide group, a C_{2-7} acylamino group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group, a group of the general formula:

$-CON(R^{19})R^{20}$ in which R^{19} and R^{20} are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-6} alkyl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a hydroxy group which may have a protective group, an

amino group which may have a protective group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino group which may have a protective group, a mono or di[hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl)]amino group which may have a protective group, an ureido group, a mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)ureido group, a C_{2-7} acylamino group, a C_{1-6} alkylsulfonylamino group and a carbamoyl group, or they bind together with the neighboring nitrogen atom to form a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group which may have a protective group, a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, a C_{2-6} heterocycloalkyl group, an aryl group which may have the same or different 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a hydroxy group which may have a protective group, an amino group which may have a protective group, a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a C_{1-6} alkoxy group, a heteroaryl group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom and a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a C_{2-6} cyclic amino group which may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-6} alkyl group and a hydroxy(C_{1-6} alkyl) group which may have a protective group, and a C_{1-4} aromatic cyclic amino group which may have a C_{1-6} alkyl group as a substituent, or a salt thereof.

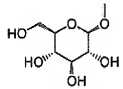
35. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 2, wherein X represents a single bond; and Y represents a trimethylene group or a 1-propenylene group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

36. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 3, wherein X represents a single bond; and Y represents a trimethylene group or a 1-propenylene group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

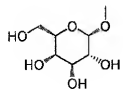
37. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 2, wherein X represents an oxygen atom; and Y represents an ethylene group or a trimethylene group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

38. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 3, wherein X represents an oxygen atom; and Y represents an ethylene group or a trimethylene group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

39. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 2, wherein R^1 represents a hydrogen atom or a hydroxy(C_{2-6} alkyl) group; T represents a group represented by the formula:

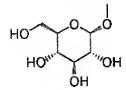


or a group represented by the formula:

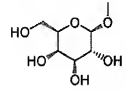


wherein Q represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group; and R^3, R^6 and R^7 represent a hydrogen atom, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

40. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 3, wherein R^1 represents a hydrogen atom or a hydroxy(C_{2-6} alkyl) group; T represents a group represented by the formula:

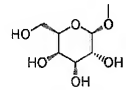


or a group represented by the formula:



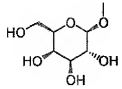
wherein Q represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group; and R^3, R^6 and R^7 represent a hydrogen atom, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

41. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 2, wherein one of Q and T represents a group represented by the formula:



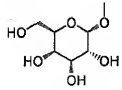
and the other represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{1-6} alkyl) group or a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

42. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 3, wherein one of Q and T represents a group represented by the formula:



and the other represents a C_{1-6} alkyl group, a halo(C_{1-6} alkyl) group, a C_{1-6} alkoxy-substituted (C_{1-6} alkyl) group or a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

43. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 8, wherein T represents a group represented by the formula:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

44. (previously presented): A pyrazole derivative as claimed in claim 9, wherein Q represents an isopropyl group, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.